Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method comprising:

~~configuring~~ generating search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components;

~~displaying~~ providing the search indices to ~~a user of~~ a client, the client ~~being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured~~ to perform search using data records stored on the client; and

~~providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and~~

~~downloading~~ providing ~~the~~ one or more selected search indices ~~from the server onto~~to the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for searching on the client, wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier is stored in a first table and search index related to file attachments are stored in a second table.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

3. (Currently amended) The method of claim 2 wherein ~~displaying~~ providing the ~~list of~~ search indices includes:

displaying a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein ~~downloading~~ providing the one or more selected search indices to the client includes:

performing a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the client.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5 further including:

performing an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the server into a specific directory on the client.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

8. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein ~~configuring~~ generating the search indices includes:

defining a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and

associating the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

9. Canceled.

10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein providing the one or more selected search indices to the client ~~downloading~~ includes:

marking associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the client's request for a database synchronization operation.

11. (Currently amended) A system comprising:

logic to ~~configure~~ generate search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components;

logic to ~~display~~ provide the search indices to ~~a user of~~ a client, the client ~~being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured~~ to perform search using data records stored on the client; and

~~logic to provide the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and~~

logic to ~~download~~ provide ~~the~~ one or more selected search indices ~~from the server onto~~to the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for searching on the client, wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier is stored in a first table and search index related to file attachments are stored in a second table.

12. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

13. (Currently amended) The system of claim 12 wherein logic to ~~display~~ provide the ~~list of~~ search indices includes:

logic to display a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 wherein logic to provide the one or more selected search indices to the client ~~download~~ includes:

logic to perform a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the client.

16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15 further including:

logic to perform an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the server into a specific directory on the client.

17. (Original) The system of claim 11 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

18. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11 wherein logic to ~~configure~~ generate the search indices includes:

logic to define a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and

logic to associate the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

19. Canceled.

20. (Currently amended) The system of claim 11, wherein logic to provide the one or more selected search indices to the client ~~download~~ includes:

logic to mark associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the client's request for a database synchronization operation.

21. (Currently amended) A machine-readable medium comprising instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to perform operations including:

~~configuring~~ generating search indices on a server, the search indices being associated with corresponding business components;

~~displaying~~ providing the search indices to ~~a user of~~ a client, the client ~~being connected to the server via a computer network and being configured~~ to perform search using data records stored on the client;

~~providing the user of the client with a mechanism to individually select one or more search indices for download onto the client; and~~

~~downloading~~ providing ~~the~~ one or more selected search indices ~~from the server onto~~to the client, the one or more selected search indices to be used for

searching on the client, wherein search index related information including index identifier and search engine identifier is stored in a first table and search index related to file attachments are stored in a second table.

22. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein each search index is associated to a corresponding search category.

23. (Currently amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 22 wherein ~~displaying~~ providing the ~~list of~~ search indices includes:

displaying a list of search categories that are associated to the search indices.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein providing the one or more selected search indices to the client ~~downloading~~ includes:

performing a database synchronization operation to download index files containing search indices as attachments onto the client.

26. (Previously presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 25, wherein the operations further include:

performing an uncompress operation to uncompress the index files downloaded from the server into a specific directory on the client.

27. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein each search index is represented by a corresponding search index object which includes an index identifier and a business component identifier of a specific business component to which the respective search index is associated.

28. (Currently amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 21 wherein ~~configuring~~ generating the search indices includes:

defining a search index object for each business component that needs to be indexed by a search engine; and

associating the respective search index object to the corresponding business component.

29. Canceled.

30. (Currently amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 21, wherein providing the one or more selected search indices to the client ~~downloading~~ includes:

marking associated index attachment files to be downloaded in response to the client's request for a database synchronization operation.